A regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Harrison, Westchester County, New York was held at the Municipal Building, 1 Heineman Place, Harrison, NY, Westchester County, on Thursday, December 1, 2011, at 7:30 PM. Eastern Standard Time. All members having received due notice of said meeting:

MEMBERS PRESENT:
Joan Walsh Supervisor
Joseph Cannella )
Fred Sciliano ) Councilpersons
Marlane Amelio )
Pat Vetere )
ALSO ATTENDING:
Frank Allegretti Town Attorney
Fred Castiglia Deputy Town Attorney
Jonathan Kraut Deputy Village Attorney
Maureen MacKenzie Comptroller
Debra Scocchera Personnel Manager
Jacqueline Ricciardi Court Clerk
Anthony RobinsonCommissioner of Public Works
Michael Amodeo Town Engineer
Robert FitzSimmons Building Inspector
Gerry Salvo Superintendent of Recreation
Mark Heinbockel Assessor
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#### 2011 - - 431 ACCEPTANCE OF CORRESPONDENCE AND REPORTS:

On motion of Councilman Cannella, seconded by Councilwoman Amelio, it was

RESOLVED to approve the following correspondence and report:

1. Monthly report by the Commissioner of Public Works for October 2011.

Adopted by the following vote:

AYES:

Councilpersons Amelio, Cannella, Sciliano and Vetere

Supervisor Walsh

NAYS:

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## 2011 - - 432 <u>APPROVAL FOR THE ADDITION TO</u> THE RECREATION PART TIME AVAILABILITY LIST

On motion of Councilwoman Amelio, seconded by Councilman Cannella,

it was

RESOLVED to approve the request of Superintendent of Recreation Gerry Salvo for authorization for the following addition to the Recreation Part Time Availability List:

#### NAME

HOURLY RATE

Belinda DeFonce

\$6.75

FURTHER RESOLVED to forward a copy of this Resolution to the Comptroller and the Superintendent of Recreation.

Adopted by the following vote:

AYES:

Councilpersons Amelio, Cannella, Sciliano and Vetere

Supervisor Walsh

NAYS:

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## ACCEPTANCE, WITH REGRET, LETTER OF RETIREMENT FROM VILLAGE ATTORNEY ROBERT PALADINO

On motion of Councilman Cannella, seconded by Councilman Sciliano,

it was

RESOLVED to accept, with regret, the letter of retirement from Village Attorney Robert Paladino effective December 31, 2011.

FURTHER RESOLVED to forward a copy of this Resolution to the Comptroller, the Personnel Manager and the Law Department.

Adopted by the following vote:

AYES:

Councilpersons Amelio, Cannella, Sciliano and Vetere

Supervisor Walsh

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# 2011 - - 434 - - a <u>APPROVAL FOR THE COMPTROLLER</u> TO ACCEPT DONATIONS FOR THE HOLIDAY PROJECT

Supervisor Joan Walsh stated that if anybody would like to contribute to the Holiday Project they should contact Director of Community Services Nina Marraccini @ 914-670-3036 or email jill valente @ jillvalente@yahoo.com.

On motion of Councilman Cannella, seconded by Councilwoman Amelio,

it was

RESOLVED to approve the request by Comptroller Maureen MacKenzie for authorization to accept the following donations in the amount of \$4,665 for the Holiday Project:

Bruce G Mendelsohn and Abby Mendelsohn	\$150
Armando A Diaz and Dawn B Diaz	\$150
Barry Finkelstein and Julie Finkelstein	\$150
Susan M Hens and James R Hens	\$150
Jill Deane Sherppard and Samuel Mac Sheppard	\$150
Dominic Marchese and Claudia M Marchese	\$150
William J Stein and Sharon L Stein	\$300
Danielle Reiter	\$ 50
Darren Haines and Elizabeth K Haines	\$750
Cary S Frankel and Katherine R Frankel	\$300
Keri L Agnello	\$ 40
March Klein and Henry Klein	\$150
Lori Kessler	\$ 25
George R Valente and Charlotte Valente	\$ 25
Michael Canter and Melissa Gennarelli Canter	\$150
James V Capiola and Christina A Capiola	\$150
Roman Casciano and Karine M Casciano	\$150
Michael Daraio and Sandra H Daraio	\$150
Louis Felice Inc	\$300
Linda A Foppiano and Kevin B Scott	\$150
Harrison Flower Mart	\$150
Paul D Leake and Judith K Leake	\$150
Christopher Lometti and Karen Lometti	\$150
Christopher M Manning Kathleen F Manning	\$150
Aaron Sandonato	\$150
Maryrose Sanscartier and Guy Sanscartier	\$150
Harrison Wine Vault LLC	\$150
Jack A Tamucci and Angela J Tamucci	\$ 25

Total: \$4,665

FURTHER RESOLVED to forward a copy of this Resolution to the Comptroller and the Director of Community Services.

Adopted by the following vote:

AYES:

Councilpersons Amelio, Cannella, Sciliano and Vetere

Supervisor Walsh

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#### 2011 - - 434 - - b APPROVAL TO ACCEPT A DONATION FOR THE FIREWORKS AND FOR THE BUDGET MODIFICATION

On motion of Councilwoman Amelio, seconded by Councilman Vetere,

RESOLVED to approve the request by Comptroller Maureen MacKenzie for authorization to accept the following donation for the Fireworks to be deposited in account Gifts and Donations

it was #001-0000-027-2705: The donor wishes to remain anonymous \$4,000 Total: \$4,000 FURTHER RESOLVED to approve the following Budget Modification: Increase: 001-0000-027-2705 \$4,000 Gifts and Donations Increase: \$4,000 01-7550-100-410 Celebrations-Materials and Supplies FURTHER RESOLVED to forward a copy of this Resolution to the Comptroller. Adopted by the following vote: Councilpersons Amelio, Cannella, Sciliano and Vetere AYES: Supervisor Walsh None NAYS: Copies to: ABSENT: None \_\_Assessor \_\_\_\_Benefits \_Bldg FILED THIS ∠Compt'lr  $\leq$ Engrng \_Law DAY OF Police

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## APPROVAL FOR THE DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY SERVICES TO ACCEPT A DONATION FOR THE HARRISON FOOD PANTRY

On motion of Councilwoman Amelio, seconded by Councilman Cannella

it was

RESOLVED to approve the request by Director of Community Services Nina Marraccini for authorization to accept the following donation for the Harrison Food Pantry:

The John L. Loeb Foundation

\$1,000

FURTHER RESOLVED to forward a copy of this Resolution to the Comptroller and the Director of Community Services.

Adopted by the following vote:

AYES:

Councilpersons Amelio, Cannella, Sciliano and Vetere

Supervisor Walsh

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# APPROVAL FOR THE DESIGNATION OF THE COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER AS LEAD AGENCY PURSUANT TO SEQRA FOR THE ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW OF THE EASTVIEW WATER METER CONNECTION CHAMBER

On motion of Councilman Cannella, seconded by Councilman Sciliano,

it was

RESOLVED to approve the designation of the County of Westchester as Lead Agency pursuant to SEQRA for the Environmental review of the Eastview Water Meter Connection Chamber.

FURTHER RESOLVED to forward a copy of this Resolution to the Law Department and the Comptroller.

Adopted by the following vote:

AYES:

Councilpersons Amelio, Cannella, Sciliano and Vetere

Supervisor Walsh

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# ADJOURNED TO EXECUTIVE SESSION: REQUEST TO PAY MTA HARRISON'S SHARE FOR THE COST OF THE REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR THE MTA PROJECT

Councilman Cannella asked that the matter be adjourned to executive session.

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## APPROVAL FOR THE DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY SERVICES TO ACCEPT A DONATION FOR THE HARRISON FOOD PANTRY

On motion of Councilwoman Amelio, seconded by Councilman Vetere,

it was

RESOLVED to approve the request by Director of Community Services Nina Marraccini for authorization to accept the following donation for the Harrison Food Pantry:

Ánonymous Donor

\$25

FURTHER RESOLVED to forward a copy of this Resolution to the Comptroller and the Director of Community Services.

Adopted by the following vote:

AYES:

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#### 2011 - - 438 - - b

## APPROVAL FOR THE DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY SERVICES TO THE FOLLOWING DONATIONS FOR THE HARRISON FOOD PANTRY

On motion of Councilwoman Amelio, seconded by Councilman Vetere,

it was

RESOLVED to approve the request by Director of Community Services Nina Marraccini for authorization to accept the following donations for the Harrison Food Pantry:

Anonymous donor	\$500
Anonymous donor	\$500
Anonymous donor	\$1,000
Anonymous donor	\$200
Elaine Fragola	\$50
Katherine Kennedy	\$50
Carol Perrella	\$50
Nancy and Spencer Hart	\$1,000

FURTHER RESOLVED to forward a copy of this Resolution to the Comptroller and the Director of Community Services.

Adopted by the following vote:

AYES:

Councilpersons Amelio, Cannella, Sciliano and Vetere

Supervisor Walsh

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#### 2011 - - 439 <u>NOTIFICATION OF FEMA REIMBURSEMENT</u> RE: MAIN STREET REHABILITATION PROJECT

Supervisor Joan Walsh read Town Engineer Michael Amodeo's letter into the record:

In 2007, the Engineering Department applied to FEMA for a mitigation project on Main Street, between Underhill Avenue and the Town line. The project received a pre-approval of funds for \$486,614.00.

Upon the completion of a very successful project in which reoccurring flood damage and sanitary sewer backups were remedied, our department was able to revise its application to FEMA to allow for additional monies for construction oversight and administrative costs.

Following several meetings with FEMA representatives, and the diligent efforts of my staff, it is my pleasure to inform you that FEMA has approved \$496,346.26 in reimbursement for the Main Street Sanitary Sewer and Roadway Improvement Project. The monies are said to be transferred to the Town within the next week.

It is requested that these funds be placed in a capital account that will enable the Town to rectify various other drainage and sanitary sewer concerns.

Supervisor Walsh thanked Town Engineer Michael Amodeo for all his efforts.

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#### 2011 - - 440 PUBLIC HEARING RE: THE 2012 PRELIMINARY BUDGET

On motion of Councilman Cannella, seconded by Councilwoman Amelio, with all members voting in favor, the Hearing was opened.

Comptroller Maureen MacKenzie read the following changes into the record:

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Changes From Tentative Budget 2012 To Preliminary Budget 2012 These changes were approved in executive session on November 16 2011 Meeting

#### Assistant Court Clerk Salary Deleted Maryann Cipolia is retiring

75,848 From To

Decrease 75,848

#### Added a New Title Deputy Court Clerk

From 78,000 Τo

78,000 Increase

K-3

#### Town/Village Clerk Salary

84,297 From To: 97,126

increase 12,829

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Law Enforcement Civilian Employee Senior Office Assistant Police The amount in the budget was in error

From Grade IX-4 To Grade X-3

From 71,446 Τo 73,679

Increase 2,233

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Town Benefits

#### **Social Security**

From 496,818 To 497,747

Increase 929

Medicare

From 116,191 To 116,409

Increase 218

MTA Tax

From 27,245 To 27,296

Increase 51

Total amount in changes are

18,412.00 Increase

Tentative Tax Rate

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Preliminary Tax Rate

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The following changes were requested by members of the Board. I will read these changes to you and it will be up to the board to formally approve or disapprove K-1

#### **Court Clerk**

From

96,485 89,021

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-7,464

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#### Comptroller

From To 130,761 125,761

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#### Assessor

From To 108,000 104,030

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#### Town Clerk-Deputy Town/Village Clerk

From To 62,000 60,583

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#### Commissioner of Public Works

From

140,832

To

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#### General Town Buildings-General Foreman

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#### Central Garage-General Foreman

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104,976

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#### Central Data Processing-Coordinator of Computer Serv

From

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#### Highway-General Foreman

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#### Parks and Playground-General Foreman

From To

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#### Sanitation-General Foreman

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FILED THIS DAY OF Supervisor Joan Walsh stated that these changes were a surprise to her. Other members of the board did not discuss them with her and she further stated that she opposes them.

Councilman Cannella stated that he does understand that the Town employees, across the board, are working very, very hard. The standard that is being applied is accurate, is doing more with less. We're asking our people to do a lot more than they've done before, it reflects the environment that now we all see ourselves in. The Mayor's budget, first of all, with respect to our contracts we have a 3% increase that applies to all of our unions. The Mayor's budget reflected higher than that increases to many members of management, not all, but certainly a large number of them. On reflection, given the difficulties the town is working under and given the desire to stay within the cap, that he thinks the entire board has, and given the economic adversities that we have faced, it didn't seem the right time to give management salary increases that were in excess of what the rank and file got, not withstanding a true appreciation and understanding to the very significant efforts that all of them are putting in, including, many of them not getting overtime and they are working very hard and we are appreciative. The circumstances are not circumstances that certainly that we like or that we caused, but we have to deal with reality. It's the same reality that everybody's dealing with in the outside world, it is our reality. With one or two exceptions where we were catching up to job titles that clearly were dramatically underpaid, based on that standard anyway, the consensus was to bring all of our employees, with only two exceptions, down to an increase of 3%, which is consistent with what the town employees, across the board, union employees, are receiving in general. It's difficult, it's not a reflection of a lack of appreciation for effort but it is an understanding of our reality. Hopefully things will improve and get better, we certainly don't want to under compensate people but our world in not of our own making, but we certainly need to deal with it and this board has the responsibility to handle it appropriately. He can see arguments but this is where the majority of the board came out.

Councilwoman Amelio stated that it is not out of a lack of appreciation for all that you do for this town. These are significantly, difficult, economic times, and not to respond to it, or to pick and choose some people who should be given these raises is unfair. The Budget in general is a very difficult one. Personally, Ms. Amelio would have preferred to see a cushion but it is our responsibility to be physically responsible to the residents of this town. She looks at our downtown area, she was told by a realter that homes are difficult to sell in Harrison, take a look at your downtown.

Lucille Held spoke from her seat. Ms. Amelio stated that she gives Mrs. Held the opportunity to speak, now she would like to have her time to finish. She went on to say that she really doesn't like comments from the audience unless they come to the microphone. She went on to say that this is a *very difficult* time none of us (the board) have taken this course of action lightly. What this woman pointed out to Ms. Amelio was that our largest investment is our homes, and if we do not realize what our downtown area looks like, that it doesn't have an impact on your real estate values then you're sadly mistaken. These were not Ms. Amelio's words this is what she's hearing from realtors. Hopefully we get the momentum to do something about our downtown area to increase the numbers of our DPW workers to sustain the quality of life, that we here in Harrison are used to by increasing our number of law enforcement because safety is a priority. She went on to thank everyone for what they do for the town this was a very difficult decision.

As Mr. Cannella mentioned, we are following the lead that our State government and County government is taking.

Councilman Vetere stated that we (the board) have the great opportunity to accept the MTA Project which will change.....

Councilman Cannella stated that it isn't legally possible to accept that.

Councilwoman Amelio stated that she hadn't received any background about that.

Supervisor Walsh stated that she has spent the last four years looking at the town's finances and worrying about what the residents have had to pay in taxes. She went on to say that the raises she included in the budget, she felt were well warranted, well deserved and the total amount, as Maureen (the comptroller) read was \$39,000 on a budget that's over \$50 million. She doesn't think that it really made an impact on any particular resident whereas it would make a tremendous difference in the lives of the people affected. She further stated that she opposes the changes. Mrs. Walsh believes they deserve recognition and however she is a minority on this board.

Supervisor Walsh explained what a minority is to someone who spoke out from the audience.

On motion of Councilwoman Amelio, seconded by Councilman Sciliano, with Councilman Cannella voting in favor, and Councilman Vetere and Supervisor Walsh opposed, the changes to the 2012 Preliminary Budget was accepted by a three to two vote.

Supervisor Walsh asked if those were the only changes that were going to be made to the budget.

Councilman Cannella responded not until we hear any additional comments that the public would like to say. We have a continuation of the public hearing today and will continue in two weeks from now.

Mrs. Walsh asked if anyone in the audience would like to make comments about the Town Board Budget.

Deputy Village Attorney Jonathan Kraut stated that the budget hearing is for the public to speak about any specific budget item, and not to discuss any individual personnel or issues outside of the proposed budget itself. Mr. Kraut went on to say that it was his understanding that some Department Heads had been invited and he didn't know whether or not the Mayor and the Board invited them to address the board....

Mrs. Walsh stated that she did not invite the Department Heads to address the board. She invited *all* the Department Heads to be here .....

Mr. Kraut stated that it's a Public Hearing so they had the right to speak to the board. His suggestion is, before the board takes public comments, you hear from the department heads, so

that when the public comments, they have seen the budget and heard any comments from department heads.

Mrs. Walsh asked if anybody else, except the Police Department, any other Department Heads wanted to make any comments.

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#### 2011 - - 441 PRESENTATION OF THE HARRISON 2012 POLICE BUDGET

Lt. Michael Olsey of the Harrison Police stated that he was here on behalf of Chief of Police Anthony Marraccini to present to the Board the following prepared written statement from the Chief, along with their 2012 budget presentation.

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#### Honorable Town Board:

It is unfortunate that once again I am put in a position to advise the Board of the perils of the mayors proposed budget. As last year, I have evaluated this year's proposed budget and find it to be unrealistic, irresponsible and hazardous for the wellbeing of this community, its residents and the police officers which serve Harrison. I am very sympathetic to the financial issues that face our Town and have held the line on expenditures within my budget. My staff and I have worked very hard tracking and monitoring our expenses. Within the Police budget this year we gave back to the Town approximately \$500,000 in unused salary lines for Police Officers and Civilian Dispatchers. Additionally with the increase in summons production, from the diligent efforts of the men and women that patrol our streets, we were able to generate approximately \$1,300,000 of revenue which exceeded the projected revenue by \$200,000. Not only is summons production profitable for the town, more importantly it helps keep our streets safe. Even with the unforeseen catastrophic storm events, we are on track to be near our overtime budget line. It is without question the Police Department has shown exemplary performance through some very difficult times with the historic low staffing levels, lack of equipment and minimal training. I applaud the entire departments "get the job done", "do more with less" and "make it work" attitude. These selfless efforts of the police officers that serve our community cannot go unnoticed.

Staffing is a critical issue for the police department. Daily patrols are operating at below minimum levels, and are performing the same essential duties. The result from inadequate patrols has been evident and problematic. Response times to priority calls have been as much as 35 minutes. Criminal conduct is escalating. Police presence on are streets has been dramatically compromised; which is one of the most important concepts for a successful patrol force, creating a sense of apprehension for a crime that maybe committed. This cannot be achieved if no police officers are on the streets or are too busy handling calls for service. Police interaction with members of our community has been lessened making it difficult for patrol officers to stay in touch with problems that are negatively affecting our residents within their sectors. It is unfortunate to report that too many times there are no uniformed police officers

available for routine patrol, officer initiated activity or calls for service. Please keep in mind that our police officers are the first responders to all critical incidents including Ambulance and Fire department dispatches.

Lack of staffing not only negatively impacts patrol; It negatively impacts all divisions from efficient and proper operation. All divisions have suffered from the reduction in staff. When a division, such as detectives, youth, narcotics, special investigations or traffic, requires support; man power is drawn out of patrol to assist with their immediate needs. Obviously this causes a bigger burden on patrol. These needs for assistance that arise mandate fulfillment due to their importance. As major investigations are developed our skeleton crew of dedicated detective's requires assistance on a regular basis. As I have advised the board, our detective division can no longer properly investigate petty offenses. Youth investigations and more importantly regular Interaction with our young people has stopped with the inability to staff our once premier youth division. We are seeing the significant consequences as our youth falls prey to computer predators and succumbs to drugs and illicit activities. Once again drawing personnel from patrol, I reestablished and combined the DARE officer and LMK SRO to provide some needed assistance to our youth with the constant fight against drugs. Our community saw too many episodes of children becoming violently sick with the use of a drug type substance called bath salts. Intelligence reports have even indicated the formulation of gang activity. It is important for the police to stay active and instill confidence in our young people to guide them in making the right choices in life. Now more than ever, especially with the internet, instant transmission of information and increased social stresses, we need to play an active role with reestablishing our youth programs and SRO in the High School.

As the board is aware, the police department has not been able to staff the special investigative unit whose primary role is narcotics enforcement. Intelligence developed and analyzed could no longer be ignored and I found it necessary to temporarily assign a police officer from patrol to this assignment. Although the effectiveness of one police officer is limited, we were able to make a significant number of arrests for sale of narcotics directly affecting our community and its youth. Another role of this unit was to monitor sexual offenders that live within our

jurisdiction and generate investigations that seek out and arrest sexual predators that would target our young people. This program, as the board is well aware, has ceased. A goal for this unit, if the board is so inclined to increase staffing levels, would be to combat and remediate quality of life issues that plaque our town, such as illegal housing.

The Traffic enforcement division, which is currently unstaffed, has always been on the fore front of vehicular and pedestrian safety. Within the past few months we have seen several pedestrian involved motor vehicle accidents. Daily complaints from residents regarding speeding on local roads and stop sign violations are unable to be addressed effectively. Commercial vehicle enforcement, which was a primary enforcement goal, is no longer being performed. Unsafe truck traffic on our residential streets is a dangerous element to us all. Not only were these police officers the largest revenue generator for the Police Department, they kept our streets and residents safer.

Lack of staffing makes it difficult to have a set direction. First line supervision is the key to success of the entire police department's operation. The limited number of first-line supervisors has created a less than desirable condition for our personnel. Supervisors find it difficult to plan, train and effectively supervise. Policing and investigating has become very comprehensive and sophisticated taking much more time to complete assigned tasks. With this comes the need for added training to keep our police officers well informed of laws, procedures, sensitive issues, first aid and officer safety techniques.

Our police officers have apprehended some of the most violent criminal suspects and investigated some of the most technologically sophisticated crimes in Westchester County.

Routinely they have saved countless lives, helped our citizens in their darkest hour of need and checked on our seniors. Most importantly our police officers make our residents feel safe and secure. It is without question that our police departments' professionalism, fast response, diligence, record of apprehensions and compassion for its residents has a direct impact on any positive assessment of property values. As I advised the board previously, the character of our community is changing rapidly. There is a much bigger picture that needs to be seen for the positive future of Harrison. As taxes are on the forefront of all of our minds, so is the reduction of our property values caused by a lack of services. It is imperative that the Board reconsider my

2012 budget requests. As always, the Police Department will "toe the line" and continue to work harder than ever; "dedicated to serve" the residents of this community.

Power Point Presentation of the 2012 Budget by Det. Sgt. Lucas and Sgt. Castellano and DiBuono

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# 2012 Harrison Police Department Budget



#### MINIMUM STAFFING REQUIREMENTS REQUESTED 2012

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HEADQUARTERS STAFF
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# Staffing 2007-2011 and Request for 2012

2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
76	77	74	63	59	68*

## Requested Staffing 2012

	2011 (Current Staffing)	Budgeted 2011	Requested for 2012
CAPTAIN	0	0	1
LIEUTENANT	3	3	4
SERGEANT/SGT K9	6	6	. 9
POLICE OFFICER/K9	39	40	44
TOTAL	57	59	68

## Staffing Request 2012

- Add 9 Police Officers to 2012 Budget at 5<sup>th</sup> grade Police Officer Salary Level
  - Reestablish 1 Captain Position
  - Reestablish 1 Lieutenant Position
  - Reestablish 3 Sergeant Positions
  - Reestablish 3 Detective Positions
  - Replace 1 K9 Position
  - Reestablish 1 Additional Officers to Traffic Division
  - Establish 1 Additional Officer to Community Policing
  - Reestablish 1 Officer to SRO High School
  - Reestablish 1 Youth Officer
  - Reestablish 1 Officer to Special Investigations Unit
- Hire 3 Civilian Dispatchers

### **Patrol Tasks**

- Court Officer
- Prosecutor
- Prisoner Transport
- School Crossing
- · Religious Education Crossing
- Religious Holiday Traffic
- Funeral Escorts
- Money Escorts (Court and Tax Assessor)
- Welfare Checks
- · Library Detail
- School Events
- · Vehicle and Traffic Enforcement
- Town Code Enforcement
- Calls for Service

# Service Report 2010 to 2011 (January to November)

Classification	2010	2011
Incident	11,552	10,921
Arrest	532	660
Citation	6,272	7,032
Parking Citation	5,919	6,870

## Generating Revenue

- Seizures
- Arrests
- Summonses
- Alarms

# Summons Projection for Fully Staffed Patrol Division

- Average 6 Officers on Day/Night Tours
  - 2 Summonses per Officer per day = 12 Summonses per tour
  - Total of 24 Summonses per day for Day/Night Tour
- Average 4 Officers on Midnight Tour
  - 2 Summonses per Officer per day = 8 Summonses per tour
- Total of 32 Summonses per day times 7 days a week times 52 weeks = 11,648 Summonses per year
- Total Summonses multiplied by an average of \$150 fine = \$1,747,200 in revenue

## Summons Projection for Fully Staffed Traffic Division

- 2 Traffic Officers generating 20 Summonses per tour = 40 Summonses per day
- 40 Summonses times 5 working days = 200
   Summonses per week
- 200 Summonses times 40 weeks = 8,000
   Summonses per year
- 8,000 Summonses multiplied by an average \$150 per summons equals \$1,200,000 in summons revenue

## Total Summons Revenue Projection

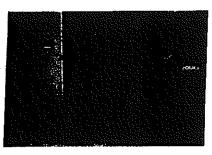
- Patrol = \$1,747,000 in Summons Revenue
- Traffic = \$1,200,000 in Summons Revenue
- Total = \$ 2,947,000 in Summons Revenue

# Requesting to Add a Separate Line Item for an additional 3 Days of Training for each Officer - \$115,000

- Currently
  - Firearms 2 Days
  - Defensive Tactics
  - OC / Article 35
  - First Aid

- Additional Training Needed
  - Annual TASER training
  - Reality Based Training
  - Active Shooter Rapid Deployment Training
  - Civil Disorder Training
  - EVOC / Vehicle Simulator Training
  - Sensitivity Training
  - Homeland Security & PPE Training / Testing

- Barricaded EDP
  - In possession of broken glass
- Use of Force
  - TASER

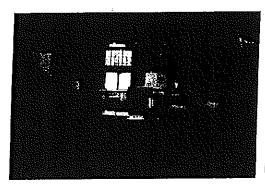




### Line Items Reduced in 2012 Police Tentative Budget

	Police Budget		
Line Item	Account	Requested	Tentative
220	Office Equipment	35,000	0
	Equipment Maintenance and Repairs		112,000
		15,000	11,000
Removed – redesign HQ desk area \$35,000  410 Materials and Supplies		64,115	26,000
471	K-9 Services	39,500	20,000

# Current Dispatch Center Harrison Police Headquarters





### **Xybix Dispatch Center**



### Line Items Reduced in 2012 Police Tentative Budget

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Line Item	Account	Requested	Tentative
220	Office Equipment	35,000	0 ,
402	Equipment Maintenance and Repairs	122,461	112,000
403	Office Supplies	15,000	11,000
410	Supplies	64,115	26,000

Removed \$4,000 - new addition TRACS (printing paper, toner, cleaners for 8 vehicles)

## TRAFFIC

	Traffic Budget		
Line Item	Account	Requested	Tentative
230	Motor Vehicles	484,707	0
240	240 Other Equipment		3,000

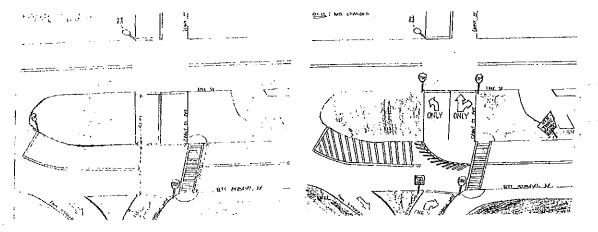
Removed \$32,625 - 25 portable radios @1305

Removed \$825 – 25 programming fee @ 33 Removed \$500 – FCC license

Removed \$1,250 – 25 radio carry case @ 50 Removed \$2,836 – 25 multi unit charger @1418 Moved \$110,000 to Capital Budget – 6 Antennae Harrison Schools

### **BEFORE**

### **AFTER**



 Proposal for Veterans Memorial Drive by Grant St.

## YOUTH

	Youth E	Budget	
Line Item	Account	Requested	Tentative
403	Office Supplies	12,024	4,000

Reduced \$8,024 – for office supplies, Halloween Safety Program, Open House materials, Youth Safety literature and material

## Cost for Tax Payer with Home Estimated at \$1,000,000

- 1% Tax Increase = \$398,500 (based on Tax Cap Overview Packet)
- 9 Additional Police Officers @ \$92,445 including salary and fringe benefits = \$832,005
- Tax Increase of 2.088% = Annual Increase of \$111.10 per year
- · Approximately 30 cents per day

Supervisor Walsh stated that one thing the police left out of their presentation was the fact that we did include in the budget was three civilian dispatchers, which was suppose to relieve two officers.

Sgt. Castellano responded that they do acknowledge the fact that that's not an immediate turn around. Certain aspects of that are in so far as the hiring practices, contractual situations, etc.

Mrs. Walsh stated that any officers that were hired would also have a lag time.

Mr. Castellano stated perhaps less reasonable.

Mrs. Walsh stated that she wanted all the facts to be heard. They did not do this budget in a vacuum, we did it with you. We sat with you and talked about it. There was nothing imposed upon you in the sense that we didn't listen. We did tell you that there were things you couldn't have.

Mr. Castellano responded, absolutely, and we acknowledge that.

Mrs. Walsh: like Mr. Cannella said early on that this is tough times.

Mr. Castellano: we acknowledge that, we're requesting reconsideration.

Councilman Cannella stated that for the purpose of the public, so that everybody understands, other town (Harrison) departments, outside of the police department, if people left those positions were basically taken out of the budget which caused the reduction in the tax rate, etc. etc. The Police Department has a number of officers that are out which is a problem and its exasperating your man power issues. We understand. It happens from time to time with the field of work (police) you're in and it's very physical and you can get hurt. So the public understands the staffing level is caused by a number of things; certainly a reduction in staff and people who are out injured. We have two police officers that have applied for and received disability clearance. They are no longer on the active staff. Those positions are no available to be filled. Those are two positions that will increase your (the police) manpower by two. The current budget proposal adds a police officer, that wasn't there last year, so that's three officers you can add. Also three civilian dispatchers, which will free up some manpower in addition to that. The Town has tried the best it can to address a number of your concerns, we've also dealt with increasing, because of the supervisory needs, we have two potential positions in there. The Department has the opportunity to fill. In a perfect world we (the board) could do more and obviously we're going to consider what you all have told us. But, if everything goes according to plan, you manpower will increase this coming year. You and the Chief have done a superlative job. The Town is very appreciative and we're doing what we can. He thanked the Officers for their presentation.

Lt. Olsey stated that they understand, but, if you (the board) look at the numbers presented with projected revenue, etc, we can support those numbers and we need to start to rebuild the Department so we can keep the community safe. In order to do a proactive, efficient job, we (the department) need manpower.

Supervisor Walsh stated that we have heard you. We heard your presentation before, and when working on the budget, we explained our reasoning. It's not possible to do everything we would like to. Would we like to give you ten more officers? Of course we would. We would like to give more people to the Court Clerk's office, but there is *no money*.

Sgt. Olsey commented that they understand that but they have shown by past performance that we can generate the revenues to support those bodies in order to restore the services to the Town that the Town deserves, we need those bodies in order to do that. We need to give you all the necessary information so you (the board) can make an informed decision on what's best for the public.

Councilman Cannella responded by saying we (the board) agree and thanked Sgt. Olsey.

Councilwoman Amelio asked Comptroller Maureen MacKenzie if radios and office expenses part of the capital budget.

Mr. Cannella stated that the radio rooms are in the budget. Mr. Cannella asked the Comptroller to add the toner so machines can work.

The Board thanked the Officers for all they do for the Town/Village of Harrison.

John Katsogridakis, resident, stated that we live in a very safe town and that's because of the police. He asked the board to do everything they could to help them.

Lucille Held, resident, stated that we need a figure for everything the police. They do take care of us but can retire at an early age with full family benefits. She finds it offensive that we never compare to other communities, schooling, etc.

Councilman Cannella asked Mrs. Held to stay on the subject of the Hearing.

Mrs. Held stated that the board does not watch what goes on in other communities like: dispatchers, too many dogs, etc we did not take any of what they were doing. She went on to say that she did a study on the police and you know that if you hire more officers you'll need more cars.

Deputy Village Attorney Jonathan Kraut stated that Section 108 of the Town Law specifically says; that the public's right at such hearing, any person may be heard in favor of or against the Preliminary Budget as compiled or for or against any item or items therein contained. The way that's generally interrupted is the Public Hearing on the Budget should be focused on the Budget that's proposed. So that the comments of the speakers should be strictly in tune with what the

Budget is that's being proposed, the items, whether they believe those items should be increased or decreased and not general comments on how the Town is governed.

Supervisor Walsh replied that it is her belief that what Mrs. Held is addressing are the benefits that the Police Department .....

Mrs. Held stated: What an insult to the people, you don't want us to know, compare, why can't we compare ..... Mrs. Held stepped away from the microphone and could not be heard. She then spoke about salaries.

Mrs. Held interrupted saying she thought it was fair, because no one knew who was going to get elected ..

Mr. Cannella, it wouldn't matter.

Councilwoman Amelio said: What does that have to do with it. She went on to say that that was an outrageous statement and she is going to take offense to this.

Supervisor Walsh asked Mrs. Held to continue.

Mrs. Held: we then went up to \$97,000 plus we're giving this person (the newly elected town clerk) a 3% increase which she's not entitled to because it was not part of the back pay that we (the town) promised to the other people. She addressed Ms. Amelio asking, why don't you look at the paper that she handed out showing Town Clerk Salary Comparisons.

#### TOWN CLERK SALARY COMPARISONS

TOWN/	PHONE	REFERENCE	NAME OF	SEX	APPOINTED	YRS IN OFFICE	/ SALARY
VILLAGE	NUMBER	(Town/Village	TOWN CLERK		ELECTED	DEPUTY TOWN	. )
		Website)	1	1		CLERK	1
VILLAGE OF	722-1170	2011-2012	D. Conkling	F	Appointed	10 years	\$85,587.00
SCARSDALE	(Treasurer)	Adopted Budget	_			1	700,001.00
BEDFORD	666-8283	2012	L. Fumagalli	F	Elected	10 years	\$73,530.00
	(Comptroller)	Tentative Buidget				,,,,,,,,,	4.0,000.00
TOWN OF	273-3322	2012	A. Curran	F	Elected	2 years	\$92,000.00
NORTH CASTLE	(Finance)	Preliminary Budget		j		, ,,,,,,,	<b>4</b> 02,000.00
TOWN OF	. 381-7810	Salary Schedule	C. Battalia	.F	Appointed	4 years	\$82,000.00
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	- Administrator)			- 1	-		
VILLAGE OF	777-7722	2011-2012	A. Fusco	M	Appointed	6 years	\$116,287.00
MAMARONECK	(Clerk-Treasurer)	Adopted Budget	,		1		(Clerk-Treasurer)
WHITE PLAINS	422-1364	2011-2012	A. McPherson	F	Appointed		\$101,000,00
	(Budget Dept.)	Adopted Budget	1	1		İ	4 10 1,000.00
VILLAGE OF	834-6230, Press 3	2011-2012	E. Finn	F	Appointed	22 years	\$83,673.00
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VILLAGE OF	939-5205	2011-2012	J. Mancuso	F	Appointed	Promoted	\$90,000.00
PORT CHESTER	(Treasurer)	Adopted Budget		- }	• •	2+ years ago	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,
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TOWN/VILLAGE	670-3000	2012	J. Greer	F	Elected	0	\$97,126.00
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Ms. Amelio: why are you signally me out.

Mrs. Held continued that Harrison is the highest paid Town Clerk in all the communities. White Plains pays their Town Clerk \$101,000 a year. This lady (the newly elected town clerk) doesn't fit the ......

Supervisor Walsh said: No personal comments.

Mrs. Held went on to say that this job demands the same thing from every other community and showed the following chart for comparison: and then finished her lengthy comments.

Deputy Village Attorney Jonathan Kraut stated that the comments are supposed to be on the Budget.

Supervisor Walsh replied that Mrs. Held's comments on the police presentation.

Mr. Kraut stated that was inaccurate. Comments are supposed to be on the budget that's proposed and or any changes. The budget as it's proposed as well as the changes that were incorporated in at the beginning of the meeting is what the public is supposed to comment on, not hypothetical changes that haven't happened.

Mrs. Walsh disagreed, saying that when the police made their presentation, it becomes a fair subject for discussion.

Mrs. Held said she wants the Board to compare what we have in comparison to other communities. She went on to talk about the dogs (k-9) ......

Mrs. Walsh told her that subject did not apply to the budget.

Mrs. Held continued about the salaries of the Town Clerk's. She stated that it took her time to compose the comparisons.

Councilwoman Amelio asked why Mrs. Held didn't include the Mayor's salary county wide or state wide.

Mrs. Held responded: Not only that, she didn't include Ms. Amelio's million dollars that you might make after you retire in eight years.

Mrs. Amelio stated that she *does not take health insurance*. She finished by telling Mrs. Held to stop harassing her. She and Mrs. Held continued about the Town Clerk's salary. She concluded by saying the people in Harrison should wake.

Lt. Olsey stated that Mrs. Held living in Harrison for some 80 something years has been active at Town Board Meetings for 50 years or so, the only problem is that she is giving out false information, being destructive to our town, promoting propaganda and is on a personal attack of being vindictive.

Supervisor Walsh replied that now Lt. Olsey is doing a personal attack.

Mrs. Held continued and Mrs. Walsh told her, enough.

Councilman Cannella stated that what has gone on for the last 15 minutes, the point that what Mr. Kraut was trying to make is basically the following: He thinks that what we have here is an example of what he was saying is correct. If comments are made to the preliminary budget, then they are factual and we (the board) can follow what the comment is. If a comment is made in respect to a comment someone else has made, which is not in the budget, then we have this donnybrook or the possibility of this donnybrook starting with people speaking of cross purposes and aggressively at each other, so he thinks it's a legal matter. It's the preliminary budget and you can agree or disagree with any item that's in there, but to react to someone else and have this happen is not productive and it's an embarrassment.

Naomi Oppman, resident stated that she wanted to speak about the police in generality. She continued saying that she supports the budget and this is why. She wants the police, she wants to feel safe, but she continued saying that one night, this past summer she came home from work and a car pulled into her driveway, two men got out saying they were from Cablevision. She told the men to get off her property, called the police who responded in five minutes if that. She did get the plate number. The men were not from Cablevision. She's glad that we have our police, she doesn't like paying taxes, but she's glad that the police are there and she feels safe with

Harrison's police department. She wants to do what she can do to support them. Harrison has the Hutch, 95, 287, 684, coming through our town. No other municipality has that. We have three colleges, St. Vincent's Hospital, the police are there two – three times a day, every day. St. Vincent's is out of control and instead of sitting here beating up on the police we need a way to get resources and maybe to get some money from St. Vincent's because they're draining our town resource, between the Fire Department and the Police Department and the ambulance, they're always over there. She supports the police and she wanted to give her opinion. As far as the dogs, they are an asset.

Christina Hughes, resident stated that just a point of information, the item in the budget that was approximately a million dollars that the police collected in fines, how much of that do we get to keep.

Supervisor Walsh asked Court Clerk Jackie Ricciardi that when we take in a million dollars worth of fines a month or two months, whatever, how much do we (the town) actually keep.

Councilman Cannella responded to Mrs. Hughes saying that the number that's in the budget is the town's share of whatever that number is; it's a *net number not a gross number*.

On motion of Councilwoman Amelio, seconded by Councilman Cannella, with all members voting in favor, the Hearing is continued until the December 15, 2011 Town Board Meeting.

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#### 2011 - - 442 MATTERS FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Settlement of claim	1
Update on real estate acquisition	1
Tax certiorari	1

On motion duly made and seconded, with all members voting in favor, the Meeting was recessed at 9:20 PM.

On motion duly made and seconded, with all members voting in favor, the Meeting was re-convened at 9:50 PM.

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#### 2011 - - 443 REQUEST BY COUNCILMAN VETERE

Councilman Vetere asked that two sergeants be promoted to lieutenant at the request of the Police Chief and further requested for the Mayor to call for a lieutenants list.

Supervisor Walsh stated that that can go into the record but nothing can be done until they (the board) gets the list.

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# 2011 - - 444 APPROVAL TO SETTLE THE TAX CERTIORARI ROBERT TIRELLA 54-56 FRANCIS AVENUE BLOCK 63, LOT 10

On motion of Councilman Cannella, seconded by Councilman Sciliano,

it was

RESOLVED to settle the tax certiorari in the matter of Robert Tirella, 54-56 Francis Avenue, Block 63, Lot 10 as follows:

ASSESSMENT	ASSESSED	REDUCTION	REDUCED
YEAR	VALUE		ASSESSED VALUE
2010	13,430	2,980	10,450
2011	13,430	680	12,800

FURTHER RESOLVED to forward a copy of this Resolution to the Comptroller, the Law Department and the Assessor.

Adopted by the following vote:

AYES:

Councilpersons Amelio, Cannella, Sciliano and Vetere

Supervisor Walsh

NAYS:

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#### 2011 - - 445

#### APPROVAL TO ACCEPT THE OFFER BY TRAVELERS INSURANCE COMPANY RE: DAMAGES TO FIRE TRUCK RESCUE 35

On motion of Councilman Cannella, seconded by Councilwoman Amelio,

it was

RESOLVED to approve the offer of \$389,669.30 by the Travelers Insurance Company as coverage for the fire truck that caught fire when it was being repaired at the garage of an authorized KME facility in Rockland County. (KME is the manufacturer of the fire truck)

FURTHER RESOLVED to forward a copy of this Resolution to the Comptroller and the Law Department.

Adopted by the following vote:

AYES:

Councilpersons Amelio, Cannella, Sciliano and Vetere

Supervisor Walsh

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#### 2011 - - 446

### APPROVAL FOR THE AGREEMENT FOR EMERGENCY CENTER OPERATIONS GRANT PROGRAM BETWEEN THE DIVISION OF HOMELAND SECURITY AND EMERGENCY SERVICES AND THE TOWN OF HARRISON

On motion of Councilwoman Amelio, seconded by Councilman Cannella,

it was

RESOLVED to approve the Agreement for Emergency Center Operations Grant Program between the Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services and the Town of Harrison.

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Agreement is subject to review by the Law Department.

FURTHER RESOLVED to forward a copy of this Resolution to the Comptroller and the Law Department.

Adopted by the following vote:

AYES:

Councilpersons Amelio, Cannella, Sciliano and Vetere

Supervisor Walsh

NAYS:

None

ABSENT:

None

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#### 2011 - - 447 APPROVAL TO PAY THE INVOICE FROM MTA

On motion of Councilwoman Amelio, seconded by Councilman Cannella,

it was

RESOLVED to approve payment of the invoice from the MTA in the amount of \$63,982 as part of the preparation of the RFP, subject to Councilman Cannella speaking to Village Attorney Robert Paladino.

FURTHER RESOLVED to forward a copy of this Resolution to the Comptroller and the Law Department.

Adopted by the following vote:

AYES:

Councilpersons Amelio, Cannella, Sciliano and Vetere

Supervisor Walsh

NAYS:

None

ABSENT:

None

There being no further matters to come before the Board, the Meeting was, on motion duly made and seconded, with all members voting in favor, declared closed at 9:50 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Angela J. Tamucci Deputy Town Clerk

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